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Problem: Calciner cell turnaround maintenance activities result in significant exposure to workers due to hot spots remaining after remote decontamination activities are completed. A better method of radiological survey is needed.

Baseline Technology: Radiation monitors are remotely manipulated to perform basic cell survey to support remote decontamination efforts. Subsequently, radiological control technicians (RCTs) enter the cell and conduct surveys.

Innovative Technology: The Gamma Cam System is used to identify radiological hot spots prior to initial remote decontamination.

Comparison: Approximately 40 hours of RCT time is saved per NWCF turnaround. Maintenance personnel exposure is reduced due to more effective decontamination efforts.

Savings: 14 man-rem per turnaround * \$6,500 man-rem = \$91.0K
40 RCT hours @ \$39.00/hr = \$ 1.6K
\$92.6K



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